

Remarks

Reconsideration is requested in view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks. Claims 14-21 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 14 and 18 are amended and new claims 22-29 are submitted for consideration. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 14-29 are pending.

Support for new claims 22-29 can be found in the specification at, for example, page 11, lines 10-11, Figure 3, and page 12, line 19. No new matter is introduced.

Claims 14-21 were indicated as being allowable if rewritten to overcome a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being incomplete. Claims 14 and 18 are amended to clarify the processing of a short messaging signal or signals after screening or after discarding one or more voice channel assignment signals. In view of these amendments, claims 14 and 18 and their respective dependent claims are properly allowable. New claims 22-25 and 26-29 recite combinations of features that are similar to claims 18-21 and 14-17, respectively, but that recite decoding short messaging signals, and are also properly allowable.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, all pending claims are in condition for allowance and action to such end is requested.

An initialed copy of a Form 1449 (attached as Exhibit A) was returned with a previous Office action. All items listed on the Form 1449 were initialed as having been considered except the last. Applicants request consideration of this last item, and request return of an initialed Form 1449 that so indicates with the next communication concerning this application. For convenience, a copy of the Form 1449 as earlier filed and the reference "Software for a United

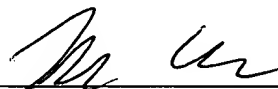
States TDMA System Cellular Portable," Oki Technical Review, pp. 59-62 (Dec. 1995) are attached as Exhibits B and C, respectively.

If any questions remain, please do not hesitate to telephone the undersigned.

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